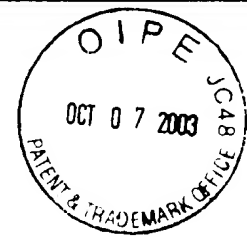


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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated May 7, 2003, setting forth a three-month shortened statutory period for response to expire on August 7, 2003, and for which a Request for Extension of Time for two months is being filed concurrently herewith, setting the period for response to expire on October 7, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

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